March 17, 2019  Second Sunday of Lent

Readings and Psalm: pgs. 112-114  
Mass setting: pg. 887 Kyriale Mass XVII (use Kyrie B)  
Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas (before Mass): pg. 1000  
Entrance Antiphon: Remember your compassion, O Lord...(pg. 918 #49) PLEASE JOIN IN THE REFRAIN  
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation.  
Offertory Hymn: Take Up Your Cross #48  
Communion Antiphon: The Lord will conceal you...(pg. 917 #46); (Visionem quam @11)  
Communion Hymn: Jesu Dulcis Memoria #146 
Communion Motet (@11): Hide Not Thou Thy Face From Us, O Lord-Richard Farrant  
Marian Antiphon: Ave Regina Caelorum #45  
Divine Mercy Chaplet after Mass: pg. 1032

Please Exit in Holy Silence
Saturday March 16
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (+David Huey)

Sunday March 17
Saint Patrick’s Day
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (St. Mary Parishioners)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass - (+Curtis Robertson)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (+Thomas Perez)

Monday March 18
11:30 am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Holy Souls in Purgatory)

Tuesday March 19
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Liz Crosby)
6:30pm - Scouts (FH)

Wednesday March 20
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Dixie Altman)
1:00pm - A & R Guild meeting (MC)

Thursday March 21
10:00am - Secular Franciscans (MC)
5:30pm - Confessions
6:00pm - Mass - (+Sherry Schindler)

Friday March 22
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Charles Drexler)
6:00pm - Stations of the Cross (C)
6:40 pm - Simple Supper (FH)

Saturday March 23
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Evelyn Altman Lange)

Sunday March 24
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (+Hugo Quintanilla)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass - (St. Mary’s Parishioners)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (+Thomas Perez)

Mass Times:
Monday - Friday @ 12:00 Noon
Saturday @ 5:00pm
Sunday @ 8:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

PARISH OFFICE
600 N. Liberty St. Independence, Mo.
OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY - THURSDAY
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
FRIDAY - CLOSED
816-252-0121
www.saintmarysparish.org

St. Mary’s Outreach Agency:
Food, Clothing and Prescription Medication Assistance
Hours: Wednesday & Thursday
9:00am - 3:00pm
(816) 252-8649
(Please call for an appointment)
*Donations of food & clothing may be brought to the Ministry Center Monday - Thursday by 12:00 noon.

Contact Information
Pastor: Rev Matthew Bartulica
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pastor@saintmarysparish.org

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Angelina Gearke - Music Ministry, Bulletin (bulletin deadline Mon. @ noon)
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Maggie Ratterman- Secretary, Sacramental Records
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Maggie@saintmarysparish.org
March 16 & 17, 2019
3rd Week

Altar Servers:
5:00pm - Volunteers
8:00am - T & T Spooner, W Pappas
11:00am - A Talato, N Smith, E & J Diamond, M Deggendorf

Lectors:
5:00pm - D Gilbert
8:00am - M Pontalion
11:00am - E. Ball

March 23 & 24, 2019
4th Week

Altar Servers:
5:00pm - Volunteers
8:00am - A Rincon, W Pappas
11:00am - A Talato, N Smith, E & J Diamond, M Deggendorf

Lectors:
5:00pm - S Leete
8:00am - D. Gilbert
11:00am - E. Ball

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:
Jeffery Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Betty Underwood, Annie Moran, David Barrett, Mary Pappas, Anthony Rizzi, Bob Trusty, Bob DeSchepper, Richard McAfee, Patricia Williamson, Liz Crosby, Beverly Boynton

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:
SFC. Christopher Kinnaman - Wainwright, Fairbanks AL. (Grandson of Betty Kinnaman)
Fr. CPT. Brian Klingele - Kreech AFB & Nellis AFB, Nevada, (Nephew of Ken & Karen Klingele)
Cpl Trevor Melton - Camp Pendleton, CA (Grandson of Marilyn Pontalion)
Rev. Joseph Reardon - Bahrain (Persian Gulf) Command Chaplain
SSGT Christopher Wood - Cherry Point, NC (Grandson of Jean Wilcox)
ICSN Josiah Smith - San Diego, CA. (Grandson of Mary Smith) & IC3 Christina Smith - Virginia (wife of Josiah)
CPT Eric Hoffman - US Air Force, Middle East (Nephew of Chuck & Karen Vlasin)

Please note new office hours beginning this week:
Monday - Thursday
8:00am - 2:00pm

We wish to welcome Maggie Ratterman, our new parish secretary to St. Mary’s. Don’t hesitate to drop by the office or call (252-0121 ext. 110) to say hello to Maggie and welcome her to St. Mary’s : )

Readings for the week of March 17, 2019

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14[1a]/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:
1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jennifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JenniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.
From the Wisdom of a Son of Ireland, Fr. Brian Woodrow…. 

Out of the darkest of the dark ages, in the early 400’s the known world would soon be plunged into chaos. The great imperial nation of Rome with all of her power, innovation, governmental structure and ‘divinity’ was about to collapse. Unbeknownst to all, in the cold, dark wet lands of Hibernia, a young slave boy was quietly growing in spiritual strength and wisdom the likes of which very few had ever seen. Out of a great darkness, the light of Christ shown brightly through the man we know today as Patricius, son of Calpornius, the great apostle of Ireland, Saint Patrick.

As we celebrate the feast day of the great confessor of Ireland, we can draw strength from the powerful, ever-present promise of our God told so clearly through psalm 23 “ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for you are with me”.

The incredible light that shone through Saint Patrick is so relevant and so needed in today’s day and age. His message of tireless devotion to our Lord through prayer, fasting, penance and charitable works to one another is precisely what we need to help us persevere in these darker times in our church and in our culture. 

While we witness the church suffering from outside and with in one can struggle with trying to find answers or a direction to turn. It is here that we pray the words of Saint Peter echo threw us, “Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life” (John 6:68)

In the time of Saint Patrick it would have seemed as though all hope was lost. The world was seemingly coming to an end for so many and yet there in the darkness a light could be seen so clearly. A light is always brightest when all other distractions and dimmed. The soft, consistent and ubiquitous light of Christ is precisely what guides us now in our Lenten journey. It is that same light of Christ that drove countless spiritual sons and daughters of Patrick to go out to baptize and preach to all nations. That light shines on now in each one of us and beckons us to lead others out of the darkness. May we lead everyone we encounter the He who has the words of eternal life

Today’s job market is extremely competitive. If you’re jobless today, there’s a very good chance you need to learn new skills, seek educational opportunities or pursue industry certifications.

Our successful Employment Services program offers a robust menu of services and activities including, one-on-one coaching, basic job skills workshops, resume building, assisted job search, financial literacy, case management, customer service training, retention services, emergency assistance for job related activities such as job interviews or transportation to and from work, interviewing techniques, networking opportunities, Seniors at Work job training and placement for adults age 55 and older

Our data shows that when the average person walks in the door seeking service at Catholic Charities, his average income is about $704/month. After participation in our employment service activities, that average income increases to $1849/month – an increase of 162 percent!

Contact Kathy Ficcadenti, Director of Workforce Development at 816-659-8269 or kficcadenti@ccharities.com if you’re able to assist with any of our programs.
Join us on the Friday’s of Lent as we pray the Stations of the Cross at 6:00pm in the church. Following the stations please join us for a simple supper in Fitzgerald Hall. These simple meals are hosted by various parish groups and a free will offering is appreciated. Thank you to our Altar & Rosary Society for hosting the simple supper and to Seminarian Garrett King for taking the time to come and speak with us.

If you would like a copy of your 2018 church contribution statement, please call Tony @ 252-0121 ext 101 or email tony@saintmarysparish.org

FEATURED CD OF THE MONTH

Know Your Story: People love stories. But when we lose sight of where the story of our life is going, the “narrative” and meaning of our lives becomes confusing to us, and we can lose hope. In this dynamic talk, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, renews our sense of hope and wonder (and humor), revealing that the reason we love stories is that we are part of a good story: one that answers the deepest desires and longings of our hearts. Whatever chapter our lives are in, God can transform our story so that we can know and experience the beauty, adventure, and love for which we were created.

Please visit our CD kiosk at the front of the church. We have many great topics on CD about the Catholic faith. We ask for a nominal donation of $3 for each CD.

Week of March 10, 2019

3/10/2019 Collection: $6,050.00
Budgeted Weekly Offertory: $6,085.00
— 35.00

Fiscal (July - June) YTD Contributions: $195,173.03
Budgeted Fiscal YTD Contributions: $212,991.80
— 17,818.77

Come join us in PRAYING for and SUPPORTING our PRIESTS!

Where: Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Eucharist
Our Lady of the Angels Chapel
2100 North Noland Road
Independence, MO 64050

How: HOLY HOUR FOR OUR PRIESTS
Why: We need our priests! Without the priesthood there can be no MASS, no SACRAMENTS. Without the EUCHARIST no COMMUNION, no real PRESENCE on earth!

When: March 21, 2019: 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Please join us in praying a public rosary for families on Saturday, March 23 at 12:00pm on the southwest corner of the Independence Courthouse in honor of St. Joseph, patron of families.

RELIC OF ST. JEAN VIANNEY

The incorrupt heart of St. Jean Vianney will be visiting the Cathedral of St. Joseph 519 N 10th Street, St. Joseph, 64501 on March 19, 2019. The Knights of Columbus is hosting this tour and welcomes this special opportunity to offer for veneration this relic of the patron of parish priests, whose holiness and integrity is a model for clergy and laity alike.

Mass will begin at 8:00 a.m., Father Steve Hansen presiding. The Relic will be received at the end of Mass and venerated throughout the day until 8:00 p.m. Confessions are available during veneration hours, with Evening Vespers beginning at 5:30 p.m. For more information about St. Jean Vianney and the relic tour, please visit www.kofc.org/vianney or contact Lorie Sage sage@diocesekcsj.org at the Office of Divine Worship.

You are invited to be a voice and a presence for the unborn by gathering with us in prayer every Thursday at 3pm in front of Planned Parenthood, 815 N Noland Rd. in Independence. Recent happenings in our country make it apparent that we need to be a light to the world! If you can, please step from the side lines of this issue by joining us in standing up for life.

Questions? Contact Dixie @ 816-461-3752 or Geri @ 816-509-8070